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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington 25, D. C.

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FILE NO. 98-37716

Date: December 6, 1951 BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

To: Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Major General W. G. Wyman  
Office of Special Operations

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: COLONEL OTTO SKORZENY, was.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - GE

Reference is made to your letter dated May 1, 1951, your number 80 DB-36848, wherein you furnished information concerning subject and stated that you were interested in collecting all possible information on subject's plans and activities but that you were not using nor did you plan to use subject operationally.

Reference is also made to the report of Special Agent Edwin A. Klarecki, dated September 24, 1951, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a copy of which was forwarded to your agency on October 13, 1951. This report contained information developed in the United States concerning the subject.

We have now been advised by another United States Agency, whose representative has been in contact with the subject, that subject claims to have information concerning Soviet intelligence activities in the Western Zone of Germany. Our source informed us that subject stated that he would be willing to turn this information "over to one of Mr. Hoover's representatives." We think it very unlikely that subject is aware that the Bureau has a representative stationed in Madrid, Spain.

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Since subject has indicated he has information of value to the United States Government which he is willing to furnish to us, it appears that consideration should be given to an interview. In this connection we would appreciate it if you would advise us if subject has been previously interviewed by a representative of your agency, if subject has furnished information of value, and if subject has approached your agency or other intelligence organizations with the same type of information using this method of approach to contact intelligence agencies for selfish purposes.

It appears that information allegedly in possession of the subject is of primary interest to your organization. However, in view of his specific request to be interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, we will do so provided information in your possession does not indicate such an interview is undesirable.

We should appreciate receiving from you your comments concerning the possible intentions of subject in contacting intelligence agencies of the United States Government.

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